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Overnight lane closures on Skokie Highway

CHICAGO – The Illinois Department of Transportation announced today that overnight lane closures are scheduled to take place on northbound Skokie Highway (U.S. 41), in Highland Park, starting, weather permitting, the week of Oct. 17.

The closures are necessary to facilitate the reconstruction of the existing rumble strips. To complete the work, motorists should expect various overnight lane closures from 8 p.m. to 5 a.m. on northbound Skokie Highway, between Deerfield Road/Central Avenue and Park Avenue. At least one northbound lane will remain open at all times, and southbound Skokie Highway will not be impacted. The work is weather dependent and estimated to take 1-2 weeks to complete.

Rumble strips are grooved patterns milled into a roadway. They have been proven to be an effective safety tool to alert motorists, especially distracted drivers, to slow down or stop, as they create vibration and noise when driven over and call the driver's attention back to the road.

Motorists can expect delays and should allow extra time for trips through this area. Drivers are urged to pay close attention to flaggers and signs in the work zones, obey the posted speed limits and be on the alert for workers and equipment.

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